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TAGS: PARM, TECH, IAEA

SUBJ: NPT EXPORTERS COMMITTEE - REQUEST FOR INSTRUCTIONS

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1. REFERENCED AIRGRAM TRANSMITTED LATEST ZNAGGER COMMITTEE DOCUMENTS AS AMENDED IN COMMITTEE MEETING ON JULY 2 & 3, 1974, AND INCLUDED REPORT OF GENERALLY FAVORABLE MEETING WITH SOVIET DELEGATION ON JULY 8 (SEE DOCUMENT ZC 74/7). MISSION REQUESTS INSTRUCTIONS SOONEST TO PROCEED WITH LETTER TO IAEA DIRECTOR GENERAL, AND EXCHANGE OF COMMUNICATIONS WITH OTHER LIKE-MINDED MEMBERS OF THE GROUP ON AGREED DATE OF AUGUST 15, SO THAT WE CAN (A) INFORM COMMITTEE SECRETARY BY AUGUST 8 OF OUR INTENTIONS AND (B) FINALIZE ARRANGEMENTS WITH SOVIET MISSION DURING WEEK COMMENCING JULY 29.

2. WE HAVE, IN COMMITTEE SESSION, ALREADY NOTIFIED OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE OF OUR INTENT TO PROCEED IN MANNER OUTLINED ABOVE. WE REALIZE THE ITALIAN PROBLEM (IAEA VIENNA 6204 AND IAEA VIENNA 6462) REQUIRES SPECIAL HANDLING, BUT WE DO NOT BELIEVE THIS SHOULD SLOW THE MOMENTUM WHICH HAS FINALLY BEEN ACHIEVED TO COMPLETE THIS PHASE OF THE WORK OF THE ZANGGER COMMITTEE BY AUGUST 15. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE COMMON MARKET COUNTRIES PLAN TO CONSULT IN ROME TO OBTAIN FULLER ITALIAN PARTICIPATION, BE DOUBT THAT THEY WILL BE ABLE PREVAIL IN TIME, PARTICULARLY IN VIEW SUMMER HOLIDAYS. IT WOULD IN OUR VIEW BE A MISTAKE TO WAIT ON THE ITALIANS UNLESS OTHER EC MEMBERS SPECIFICALLY URGE US TO DO SO FOR GOOD REASON. WE DOUBT THAT THEY WILL, UNLESS THEY ALSO HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE THAT FRENCH POSITION IS SOFTENING, AND THAT SOME FORM OF FRENCH ASSOCIATION WITH THE GROUPS RECOMMENDATIONS CAN BE ASSURED IN NEAR FUTURE.

3. JAPANESE MISSION, ALTHOUGH ORIGINALLY INSTRUCTED SET AS PRE-CONDITION FOR JAPANESE ADHERENCE THAT ALL MEMBERS OF EUROPEAN COMMUNITY JOIN IN EXCHANGE OF COMMUNICATIONS, HAVE NOW BEEN SOMEWHAT REASSURED BY IMPROVEMENT IN ITALIAN POSITION REPORTED IAEA VIENNA 6204. WE ARE NOT YET CERTAIN OF OUTCOME BUT BELIEVE JAPAN LIKELY AGREE EXCHANGE COMMUNICATIONS WITH OTHER EXPORTING STATES AS ORIGINALLY CONTEMPLATED. IN LAST ANALYSIS, WE FEEL JAPAN MORE LIKELY TO FOLLOW LEAD OF USG THAN TO HOLD BACK BECAUSE OF ITALY.

4. DEPT WILL NOTE THAT COMMITTEE ADOPTED BELGIAN SUGGESTION THAT EXCHANGE OF COMMUNICATIONS (DIPLOMATIC NOTES) BETWEEN MEMBERS OF THE GROUP SHOULD OCCUR IN CAPITALS, WITH COPIES TO CONFIDENTIAL

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DELEGATIONS IN VIENNA. WE ASSUME LETTER TO DIRGEN WILL BE SIGNED BY MYSELF AND DISPATCHED IN VIENNA. PLEASE ADVISE.

5. THE FOLLOWING IS MISSION'S ANALYSIS OF SITUATION WITH RESPECT TO PROPOSED ACTIONS BY MEMBER STATES OF EXPORTERS COMMITTEE:
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A. PREPARED TO EXCHANGE COMMUNICATIONS ON AUGUST 15 WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THE GROUP: US, NETHERLANDS, SWEDEN, FINLAND, DENMARK, FRG, AUSTRIA, UK, AND USSR. THIS TOTAL TO 9. IN CONFIDENTIAL

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ADDITION SWITZERLAND, AUSTRALIA, JAPAN, NORWAY AND BELGIUM WILL PROBABLY EXCHANGE COMMUNICATIONS ON OR SHORTLY AFTER AUGUST 15.

B. STATES PREPARED TO SEND LETTERS TO DIRECTOR GENERAL ON AUGUST 15: US, NETHERLANDS, FINLAND, DENMARK, NORWAY, UK, CANADA AND USSR. THIS TOTALS 8. IN ADDITION SWEDEN, AUSTRALIA, FRG AND AUSTRIA WILL SEND LETTERS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE ALTHOUGH SOME OF THEM MAY NOT MAKE THE AUGUST 15 DEADLINE BECAUSE OF NECESSITY OF COMPLETING INTERNAL LEGISLATION OR ISSUANCE OF REGULATIONS.

6. WE HAVE LISTED SOVIET UNION AS BEING PREPARED TO EXCHANGE COMMUNICATIONS BUT HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED FINAL AGREEMENT FROM SOVIET MISSION. WE EXPECT SOVIETS WILL TAKE POSITION THAT THEY WILL NOT INITIATE CONFIDENTIAL DIPLOMATIC COMMUNICATIONS WITH OTHER STATES BUT WILL RESPOND AS THEY RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS. SOVIETS ARE ALSO QUERYING POLAND, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, AND PROBABLY GDR TO SEE IF THEY WILL PARTICIPATE IN GROUP. WE EXPECT THEY WILL AND THAT WILL ADD TO STATISTICS CITED IN PREVIOUS PARAGRAPH.

7. SOUTH AFRICA HAS NOT YET TAKEN DECISION TO ADHERE TO GROUP'S MEMORANDA BUT WE ESTIMATE THERE IS A FAIR CHANCE SAG WILL DO SO. NEW ZEALAND ALSO CONSIDERING JOINING GROUP (EVEN THOUGH NOT YET AN EXPORTER). IN ADDITION WE UNDERSTAND BOTH LUXEMBOURG AND IRELAND, EVEN THOUGH THEY HAD NOT PARTICIPATED IN THE COMMITTEE'S WORK, WILL TAKE APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO ADHERE TO THE MEMORANDA. PORTER

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